

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) ~~The compound according to claim 2 wherein n is 1, 2 or 3~~

(+/-)-3-(trans-3,4-Dimethyl-1-phenethyl-piperidin-4-yl)-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(4-Methoxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(2-Methoxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(3-Methoxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{trans-3,4-Dimethyl-1-[2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenyl)-ethyl]-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(4-Cyano-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(3-Bromo-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(4-Chloro-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(3-Chloro-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(3-Cyano-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide;

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(2,6-Dichloro-phenyl)ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide; or

(+/-)-3-{1-[2-(2-Hydroxy-2-phenyl-ethyl)-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl]-benzamide;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. (currently amended) ~~The compound according to claim 2 wherein R⁴ is OH, CH₂OH, NH₂, NHCOCH₃, or CN~~ (+/-)-3-{1-[2-(2-Methoxy-phenyl)-ethyl]-trans-3,4-dimethyl-piperidin-4-yl}-benzamide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

8-19. (canceled)

3 20. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of a compound according to claim 6 or 7 ~~any of claims 1-7 and 9-10~~ in combination with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or additive.

21. (canceled)

22. (currently amended) A method of treating in a mammal, in need thereof, a ~~disease state, disorder or condition selected from the group consisting of irritable bowel syndrome, constipation, nausea, vomiting, pruritic dermatoses, psoriasis, eczema; an insect bite; an eating disorder, depression, anxiety, schizophrenia; drug addiction, an opioid overdose, sexual dysfunction, stroke, head trauma, traumatic brain injury, spinal damage, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, age-related cognitive decline and Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder~~ which method comprises administering to said mammal an therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 6 or 7 ~~any of claims 1-7 and 9-10~~, effective in treating said ~~disease state, disorder or condition~~.

23.-29. (canceled)

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Examiner's Amendment

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John A. Wichtowski on Nov. 19, 2007.

Claim 22 has been canceled and replaced with claim 30 as following:

Claim ⁴30. A method of treating impotence in a mammal, in need thereof, comprising administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claims 6 or 7.